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SUBJECT: LEGAL SUIT AGAINST BOWEN-MCLAUGHLIN-YORK

1. ACCORDING TO ATTORNEY OF BMY, JURY RECENTLY GAVE VERDICT IN FAVOR OF AFSHAR. JUDGE REPORTEDLY WAS VISIBLY TAKEN ABACK BY DECISION AND TOLD JURY IN OPEN COURT THAT HE COULD NOT RPT NOT HAVE COME TO SUCH CONCLUSION HAD HE BEEN ON JURY.
2. BMY IS NOW PREPARING BRIEF REQUESTING JUDGE SET ASIDE JURY VERDICT. AFSHAR'S ATTORNEY WILL THEN HAVE OPPORTUNITY FILE COUNTER BRIEF BEFORE JUDGE MAKES HIS DECISION.
3. BMY ATTORNEY TOLD US HE HAD BEEN INFORMED THAT RUMOR IS CURRENTLY CIRCULATING IN TEHRAN THAT EVIDENCE WAS GIVEN IN TRIAL THAT TOUFANIAN RECEIVED DOLS 600,000 FROM BMY. IN FACT, ATTORNEY SAID, NO RPT NO SUCH EVIDENCE WAS GIVEN AT TRIAL. KISSINGER

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